



MANCHESTER
CITY COUNCIL

Resources and Governance Overview and Scrutiny Committee

Date: Thursday 10 December 2009

Time: 10.00 am

Venue: Committee Room 11, Level 1, Town Hall

Note:

There will be a pre-meeting for members of the Committee at 9:30 in Committee Room 3

Membership of the Committee:

Councillors -

F Bhatti

M Clayton

C Glover

B Jones

E Lomax

E McCulley

P Morrison

P Murphy

D Sandiford

N Swannick

A Trotman

M Watson

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This Agenda was issued by the Governance and Scrutiny Support Unit on 2 December 2009

Sir Howard Bernstein
Chief Executive

Town Hall, Albert Square
Manchester, M60 2LA

Agenda

1. Urgent business

To consider any items which the Chair has agreed to have submitted as urgent.

2. Appeals

To consider any appeals from the public against refusal to allow inspection of background documents and/or the inclusion of items in the confidential part of the agenda.

3. Interests

To allow Members an opportunity to [a] declare any personal or prejudicial interests they might have in any items which appear on this agenda; and [b] record any items from which they are precluded from voting as a result of Council Tax/Council rent arrears [c] the existence and nature of party whipping arrangements in respect of any item to be considered at this meeting. Members with a personal interest should declare that interest at the start of the item under consideration. If members also have a prejudicial interest they must withdraw from the meeting during the consideration of the item.

4. Minutes

To approve as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 12 November 2009.

5. Information and Overview Report

Members of the Committee are invited to comment on the recommendations monitor and agree the work programme for the Committee.

6. Local Area Agreement – Quarterly Performance Report – Quarter 2

The report documents performance of the LAA basket of indicators for the period 1st April to the 30th September 2009. Members of the Committee received this report early and are asked to contact the Committee's support officer if there are specific targets which they would like to look at in more detail in the meeting. This is so that officers with the relevant expertise can attend the meeting to answer questions on these targets.

The Committee has the power to:

- ask questions and comment on how the Manchester Partnership is supporting achievement of the targets in the LAA
- decide whether it feels that any of the targets would benefit from more detailed scrutiny by another scrutiny committee.

7. Budget Update - Medium Term Financial Strategy

Report of the City Treasurer

Cont.

The report attached was submitted to the Executive on 18 November 2009, who agreed the Strategy.

8. Information and Communication Technology (ICT)

Report of the Chief Information Officer

This report appraises the Committee on the long-term impact on services of the ICT disruption in February / March 2009 and on the installation of Wyse terminals.

9. Directorate of Transformation Projects

This item includes two reports:

A. Directorate of Transformation Projects – To Follow

Report of the Strategic Director of Transformation

B. Customer Relationship and Electronic Document Management Systems

Report of the Chief Information Officer

10. Setting of the Council Tax Base for Budget Setting Purposes

Report of The City Treasurer

To advise on the method calculating the City Council's tax base for tax setting purposes for the 2010/11 financial year and the reasons why it is requested this decision is exempt from call in.

11. Budgets and Financial Plan – Business Plans

Report of the Chief Executive and City Treasurer

The Committee is asked to select business plans to look at at its next meeting.